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Application Number	09/740,424
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First Named Inventor	Kiyotaka Tsukada et al.
Art Unit	2815
Examiner Name	Chris C. Chu
Attorney Docket Number	057329-0001

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- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on August 23, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- a. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
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Applicant : Kiyotaka Tsukada et al.  
Application No. : 09/740,424  
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Title : PRINTED-CIRCUIT BOARD AND METHOD  
OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i), the following is a clean version of the amended claims. A marked-up version of the amended claims in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is enclosed herewith. Claims 1 and 8 are amended, and claim 3 is canceled in this amendment.

1. (Twice Amended) A printed circuit board comprising: